HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 862 By Coleman

A RESOLUTION to recognize Elaine Beck Morris on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Elaine Beck Morris of Smyrna is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for 30-plus years as a Mail Carrier with the United States Postal Service before taking a much deserved retirement on July 2, 2003; and

WHEREAS, arriving in Tennessee in 1965 after traveling with her husband across the United States during his 24-year military career, Mrs. Morris settled in Smyrna following his retirement from the armed services; and

WHEREAS, Elaine B. Morris is an active and important part of her community, participating in numerous worthy organizations, including the Tennessee Association of Rescue Squads and Meals on Wheels; and

WHEREAS, Elaine Morris also contributes her time and numerous talents to the Smyrna Rescue Squad and has been awarded Lifetime Member status in appreciation for her years of dedication and service; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Morris is a devout and dedicated Charter member of Parkway Baptist Church and served as Librarian of First Baptist Church in Smyrna for over 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Elaine Beck Morris exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, for many years Elaine B. Morris enjoyed the loving companionship of her husband, Howard Morris who has since gone on to his great reward; she is the proud mother of two children, Raymond Alan Morris and Brenda Joyce Morris Welborn, and grandmother to great-niece and nephew, Caroline and Wilson McCord; and

WHEREAS, her retirement will allow Mrs. Morris to spend more time on the activities she enjoys, including knitting, sewing, trying new recipes and helping others; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Elaine Beck Morris has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues and the public at large; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Elaine Beck Morris our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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